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R 261420Z AUG 77  
FM AMEMBASSY PRAGUE  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3488  
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

C O N F I D E N T I A L PRAGUE 2409

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SHUM, CZ  
SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA: INQUIRY CONNECTED WITH  
CHARTER 77

REF TEHRAN 7627

1. TREATMENT OF MRS. HOLUBOVA DESCRIBED IN REFTEL IS UNFORTUNATELY  
BUT ONE MORE EXAMPLE OF GARDEN VARIETY HARASSMENT HANDED OUT BY  
CZECHOSLOVAK AUTHORITIES TO CHARTER 77 SIGNERS WHO ARE NOT  
SUFFICIENTLY PROMINENT TO RECEIVE DE LUXE, PERSONALIZED HARASSMENT.  
WE DEEPLY SYMPATHIZE WITH HER DESIRE FOR REDRESS, BUT BELIEVE THAT ANY

SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN HER CASE WOULD ONLY SUBJECT HER TO FURTHER  
HARASSMENT AND GREATER PRESSURE TO EMIGRATE. CHARTER 77  
DOCUMENTS AND WESTERN PRESS HAVE DESCRIBED NUMEROUS SIMILAR  
CASES AND THOSE CHARTER ADHERENTS WHO HAVE CHOSEN EXILE ARE IN  
A MUCH SAFER POSITION TO BEAR WITNESS TO THE METHODS USED BY THE  
CZECHOSLOVAK REGIME TO SUPPRESS HUMAN RIGHTS THAN IS MRS. HOLUBOVA.

2. WE HAVE NO OBJECTION TO TEHRAN'S SHARING THE ABOVE WITH MR.  
HOLUB. YOU MIGHT ALSO INFORM HIM THAT IN THE CASE OF CHARTER SIGNERS

WHO HAVE CHOSEN TO EMIGRATE, THE GOC HAS BEEN PROMPT IN PROVIDING  
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EXIT DOCUMENTATION AND HAS NOT APPARENTLY HINDERED THEM IN WINDING  
UP THEIR AFFAIRS HERE IN AN ORDERLY WAY. AUSTRIA HAS OFFERED  
TO ACCEPT ANY CHARTER SIGNERS WHO VOLUNTARILY EMIGRATE FROM  
CZECHOSLOVAKIA, WHICH PROVIDES A READY HAVEN FOR EXILES WHILE  
THEY DECIDE WHETHER TO REMAIN IN AUSTRIA OR SEEK PERMANENT  
RESIDENCE ELSEWHERE.  
ALSO, WE KNOW OF NO PROBLEMS THAT WOULD HINDER MRS. HOLUBOVA'S

IMMIGRATION TO U.S.  
FROWICK

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